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TAGS: PFOR, ET, US

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE TO EMPEROR

FOLLOWING MESSAGE SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO EMPEROR BEFORE  
BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION JULY 23:

"YOUR IMPERIAL MAJESTY:

I AM PARTICULARLY GRATIFIED TO EXTEND TO YOU MY WARMEST  
CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR 81ST BIRTHDAY.  
UNDER YOUR ENLIGHTENED LEADERSHIP, THE ETHIOPIAN PEOPLE  
ARE TRANSFORMING THE RICH POTENTIAL OF ETHIOPIA INTO  
IMPRESSIVE ECONOMIC PROGRESS. MY COUNTRY IS GRATIFIED  
TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THAT DEVELOPMENT EFFORT.

I RECALL WITH PLEASURE YOUR IMPERIAL MAJESTY'S RECENT  
VISIT TO WASHINGTON, A VISIT WHICH IS SYMBOLIC OF THE  
DEEP FRIENDSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS  
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AND BETWEEN OURSELVES PERSONALLY.

I AM HAPPY, THEREFORE, TO EXTEND TO YOUR MAJESTY ON THIS  
ANNIVERSARY MY PERSONAL BEST WISHES AND THOSE OF THE  
GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR YOUR  
CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.  
RICHARD NIXON UNQUOTE.

WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN RELEASE BUT HAS NO OBJECTION  
IF IEG WISHES TO DO SO. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT. RUSH

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